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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

H. Deboer et al.

Application No.: 08/476,798

Filed: June 7, 1995

For: PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT

POLYPEPTIDES BY BOVINE SPECIES AND TRANSGENIC

METHODS

Examiner: J. Chambers

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Reconsideration of the office action mailed December 9, 1996, is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claim 98 stands rejected as anticipated under 35 USC §102(e) as anticipated by Conneely et al. The Examiner, citing to claim 3, says Conneely teaches a cDNA sequencing encoding human lactoferrin.

In response, it is noted that the presently claimed cDNA sequence differs from the DNA sequence of Conneelly in at least